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| Interview Summary | Application No. | | Applicant(s) | |
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Date of Interview: 23 January 2008.

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference
 c) ☐ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.
 If Yes, brief description: _____.

Claim(s) discussed: 1.

Identification of prior art discussed: Ozaki et al. (US 2001/0031658 A1), Satoh et al. (US 6,811,273 B2).

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☒ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: The examiner restated the position that Ozaki and Satoh teach the claim elements of providing a liquid crystal display panel in front of slot machine reels in combination with a light guiding plate provided with cutouts and being applied with a light scattering process. No agreement with respect to the claims was reached.

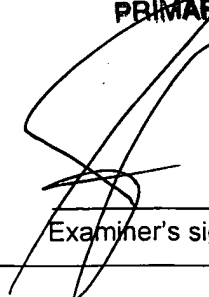
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